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[0015] (Omission) With reference to Fig.2, a reference numeral 5 denotes an outer panel made of sheet steel, which consists of a front surface 6, a side surface 7 that is formed by bending backward the pivoting end of the front surface 6 (the right hand side in this embodiment) at a certain ratio of curvature, a rear surface 24 that is formed by further bending inward the rear end of the side surface 7 at a right angle, a concavity part 8 that is formed as a handle at the other end that does not pivot of the front surface 6 (the left hand side in this embodiment), a rear surface 26 that is formed by further bending inward the rear end of the concavity part 8 at a right angle, etc.

[0016] The concavity part 8 consists of a projecting part 9 that is formed by folding a left side portion of the front surface 6 backward by greater curvature, a curved part 10 that is formed by further folding an end portion of this projecting part 9 leftward by greater curvature, and a side surface 11 that is formed by bending a left end of the curved part 10 backward by a certain ratio of curvature. The side surface 11 continues to reach the rear surface 26.

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